TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 9068

October 27, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits, during a period in which a disaster, emergency, or public health emergency for COVID-19 has been declared, hospitals from restricting a patient from having at least one family member present with the patient during the patient's hospital stay as long as the family member tests negative for COVID-19 and is not exhibiting symptoms of that or another virus or communicable disease.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

• Prohibiting hospitals from restricting a patient from having at least one family member present during the patient's hospital stay will not create any additional costs for the Department of Health. Any fiscal impact to the state of Tennessee or local government is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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